GOVERNMENT BONDS SENT ABROAD. TEN MILLIONS IN 412 PER CENTS ORDERED BY THE

ROTHSCHILDS. Charles F. Conant has been commissioned as manager of the United States Financial Bureau at London, by Secretary Sherman, and departed for his post of duty on the steamship Adriatic yesterday. He was accompanied by Mr. Coon as chief assistant; Mr. Biglow is in London awaiting Mr. Conant's arrival. The headquarters of the American Bureau will be at the banking house of N. M. Rethischild & Co. The departure of Mr. Conunt was sudden, only one day's notice being given. It is understood that the Rothschilds sent a cable dispatch a few days ago, agreeing to dispose of \$10,000. 000 of Government 4½ per cent coupon bonds, under the contract recently outered into with the new 4½ per cent Syndicate, and this amount was taken to Europe yesterday by Mr. Conant. They were packed in two small iron safes at Washington and were forwarded to the Sub Treasury in this city, whence they were shipped on the Adriatic. The bonds represented the various denominstions of this issue, a large proportion representing the smaller denominations.

Said a member of the Syndicate yesterday: "This is not exactly a subscription to the new \$50,000,000 loan, though practically it amounts to the same thing. The Rothschilds, believing that these bonds are a safe in-Rothschilds, believing that these bonds are a safe investment, have undertaken to dispose of them, with the understanding that such as are not sold may be returned. We believe that they will find a ready marget in England for more than \$10,000,000 of these bands. Of the \$10,000,000 already delivered in this city to the Syndicate, over \$5.,000,000 have been sold, and we expect to dispose of the entire \$50,000,000 before September. It is safe to say that the expertation of Government bonds has fairly set in, and the importation business in this class of securities is at an end."

CEREMONIES OF HOLY THURSDAY.

The ceremonies of Holy Thursday commemorate the Lord's Last Supper. In all the Roman Cathe-lie churches yesterday, the day was celebrated with much pomp. On this feast day, sometimes called Maundy Thursday, from the ceremony of washing the feet, only one mass is said in the churches. At the Cathedral in Mott-st., the services began at 10 o'clock, with lights burning on the high alter. Vicar-General Quinn was the celebrant, Father Mori descon, Father Egan sub-deacon, and Father Hogan master of ceremo-nies. The vestments were all white. The ceremonies Egan sub-denon, and Father Hogan moster of ceremonies. The vestments were all white. The ceremonies proceeded as in an ordinary mass until Father Quinn intoned the "Gloria in Excelsis," During the riving of this, all the acolytes in the sanctuary rang bells and a few notes were played on the organ. When the priosts concluded reading, all sound ceased and no bell will be heard in the church until the Gloria is saing on Holy Saturday. There was no more music from the organ, and the remainder of the mass was sungly the enoir without musical accompaniment. At the consecration of the Eucharist, when the acolyte usually rings a bell, a loud noise was made with a book. Two Hosts were consecrated. One was consumed at the communion, and the other was placed in a chalce to be used at the services to day, as no mass is said on Good Friday. One of the significant parts of the service was the omission of the significant parts of the service was the omission of the significant parts of the service was the omission of the significant parts of the service was the omission of the mass, when all the pricets in the sanctuary and received communion, as well as a large portion of the congregation, preparations were made for a procession around the aisles of the church. The challed containing the remaining Host was velled and carried by the celebrant under a canopy down the centre node and up the side aside leading to the altar of the Virgin. Acolytes swinging funning consors, and priests bearing lights and a profusion of flowers nearly hid the Virgin's altar from view. The consecrated Host was placed in an unit and benediction given. Throughout the day there was a constant succession of persons destrous of seeing the decorations of this repository. The ornaments were taken from the high altar and the tabernacle door was thrown open.

A RICH SHOW OF ARTISTIC FURNITURE.

The wholesale and retail furniture house of Warren Ward & Co., at Spring and Crosby-sts., is one of the oldest establishments of the kind in the city. Among the new and original designs of hall racks shown by this firm is one in Queen Aune style, with large mirror and marquetry finish. This was one of the handsomest shown, and was designed by the house. Hall tables are made with drawers to match the rack; the chairs are high-backed, with broad and rather low seats. A library table of black wahut, with polished brass handles, is in Eastlake style. A black wahut Eastlake sideboard is ornamented with servlet and white tilling, and looks plain and massive. Side tables are in new designs, at moder-ate prices. A particularly handsome sideboard was of black wahut, carved, with square tiling to represent

black wainut, carved, with square tiling to represent lilies of the valley.

Dining-room chairs, in Eastiake style, are covered with leatner and studded with brass nails. Dining-room tables are all made with extensions, and present a massive appearance. Black wainut is the favorite wood for these tables. Parlor, bedroom, and boudor sets are in Queen Aune, Eastiake, and Egyptian styles, and the favorite material used for covering is raw siis. Indeed, this may be said to be the only material used, as a set covered with rep, or even satin, is at once called old-fashioned. Many elegant little trifles are shown in ebony and its imitations. An Euglish what-not table of ebony was one of the oddest and pretitest things shown. Ebony parlor tables are shown, with corner thing to match the carpet or familiare. A lady's toilet table, with swinging glass, is made with a great number of drawers, a feature which will commend it to any femiliane purchaser. A piece of furniture designed for the parlor is of ebony, and combines chiffonnier, writing-desk and bookease.

TO EUROPE ON AN AMERICAN STEAMER,

The American Line, whose steamships sail from Philadelphia every Thursday, and from Liverpool every Wednesday, is the only transatlantic line whose vessels sail under the American flag. Four of the six steamers were built on the Delaware River. The Red Star line being under the same management as this, holders of excursion tickets by this line have the option of returning upon the Red Star steamships from Autwerp if they desire. The ships of the American Line are

if they desire. The ships of the American Line are classed in the highest grade of the Bureau Vertus. Their equipment is in full conformity with the laws of the United States, and their life-saving apparatus is pronounced by the Supervising Inspector-General to be most satisfactory. The vessels are now receiving, in turn, their regular Spring overhauling.

The Red Star Line steamships sail twice a month, alternately from Philadelphia and New-York to Antwerp. The company have five steamers, and two more of 4,000 tons each will be completed before the end of the year. They are among the strongest ships affont, being double, with one hull within the other, each in itself water tight. The cabins and state-rooms of the first-class are above the main deck, amdships. The state-rooms are also above the main deck, and the state of the second-class cabins and state-rooms are also above the main deck, and the confidence of a favorable geographical position, with complete railroad connections with the entire Continent of Europe, this makes a -hort and cheap route to Belgium, Holland, France, Middle and Southern Germany, and other points, to which special rates are arranged.

THE HEBREW LAWYER'S SUICIDE. It seems clearly established that Max L

Mayer, the lawyer who was found dead on Tuesday morning in his office at No. 262 Broadway, committed suicide by taking hydrocyanic acid while suffering from auticide by taking hydrocyanic acid while suffering from mental aberration. About a year ago Mr. Mayer was acriously ill for a long time with braiu disease, and the doctor told him, as he grew better, that it would be ne-cessary to avoid excitement or he would become insane. With this prospect in view, and suffering from con-tinued ill-health, his friends have no doubt that he lost his mental balance. He was able to support the family and had no domestic infelicties. Mr. Mayer left ho letter for his friends or for publication. No bottle containing poison was found in the room where he died, but the hivestein's suspicion was groused at the time containing poison was found in the room where he dead, but the physician's suspicion was aroused at the time by the oder about the dead man's lips. It is supposed by the odor about the dead man's that he took the poison in capsules.

SYSTEMATIC ROBBERY CHECKED.

Charles O. Sides, superintendent of the suit department of Baldwin's clothing establishment, reported to the police some time ago that suits of clothes had been missing from time to time, of clothes had been missing from time to time, and that suspicion pointed toward 2 colored woman, Margaret Woodby, who had been employed to scrub in the store. Captain McDonald, of the Eighth Precinct, and his detectives, Wodnesday, succeededin tracing the goods, which they found in pawn-shops, to Susan Carter, of No. 18 Sullivan-st., and Francis Harris, of No. 89 Varick-st., who said they had pawned them for Mrs. Woodby, These persons, with Mrs. Woodby, were arrested, and the latter concessed that she had stolen suits from time to time during the past three months to the value of \$500.

A BOY'S DEATH FROM HYDROPHOBIA. Richard Schweitzer died yesterday at 10:30 m., of hydrophobia, at Cortlandt-ave. and One-hun a. m., of hydrophobia, at Cortlandt-ave, and One-hundred-and-sixticth-st., Morrigania. This result was unexpected, as only a short time previous the boy was sitting on his father's knee, free from pain and enjoying a paper of candy. Death resulted, the physician believes, from exhaustion, produced by previous violent spasns. The hoy, who was nine years old, was bitten by a dog about three weeks ago. The case is regarded as the nearest approach to recovery ever known in hydrophobia. The war upon the dogs of Morrisania still continues. The number of vagrant dogs roaming about the new wards is very large. One resident of Morrisania owns no less than twenty-five.

A BUSINESS CHANGE DOWN TOWN.

Messrs, Hall, Nicoll & Granbery have recently purchased the entire fancy goods department of the house of Schuyler, Hartley & Graham, and will conthe house of Schuyler, Hartley & Graham, and will continue the business at the same store, Nos. 20 and 22 John-st. The stock of bronzes, faiences, porcelain, silverware, etc. kept by the old firm, was one of the largest and most valuable in the city, and the new firm announces that one of the partners will visit Europe this Sammer to select novelties, and that no pains will be spared to improve, if possible, the former valuable and attractive display. Schuyler, Hartley & Graham will continue the gan and military goods business at Nos. 17 and 19 Maiden-lane.

A NEW BROADWAY BUILDING.

Mrs. Sarah Borcel, a member of the Astor family, who owns the block bounded by Broadway, Cedar, Thomes and Temple-sts., has approved the plans for a new building to be erected thereon, and the work

of tearing down the present one will be begun soon. The new structure will be built of brick, with brownstone triumnings on the Broadway front. It will be firproof, seven stories high, and will cost about a quarter of a miltion dollars. At the base the walls are to be three feet thick, tapering to sixteen inches at the top. A court, forty-two by fifty feet, covered with a glass root, will be reached from the main entrance, and surrounded by galleries, to which from steps will ascend from the main hall beneath. Four passenger elevators will be provided. Mahogany and marbie wainscoting will be used in fitting up the first floor, and the other offices will be fluished in ash and cherry. The building will be heated by steam. will be heated by steam.

A WOMAN FATALLY BEATEN AND KICKED.

A CANAL BOATMAN'S BRUTAL ANSWER TO A REPROOF. Four brothers, was arrested at the foot of Canal-st., yesterday, for an assault, probably fatal, upon Mrs. Frederick Woltman, in Jersey City. Letoc-tectives O'Neill and Quinlan, of Jersey City, made the tectives O'Neill and Quinlan, of Jersey City, made the arrest. The prisoner is now at the Fifth Precinct Station House, awaiting a requisition. The boat of which Mrs. Woltman's insband is captain, was moored at the California Dock. Greer's boat was outside. Mrs. Woltman, yesterday atterpoon, washed the deck, and soon after Greer came on boatd, wearing a pair of middy boots, and tramped across the deck to his own boat notwithstanding Mrs. Woltman's remonstrances. The woman became exceedingly angry, ordered Greer off, and advanced toward him, institution him away with her hand. Greer refused to move, and when the woman was near him, he suddenly turned upon her, striking her with a slung-shot, and felling her to the deck. With an oath he trampied upon her body, probably injuring her fatally. Her busband returned soon after, found her lying in extreme agony, and selzing a gun, went in search of Greer.

A COLLECTION OF ORIENTAL TREASURES New-York's hidden hoards of historic rehes seem not to have been exhausted in the Loan Collection at the Academy of Design, as is shown by a private collection of bric a brac and objects of ancient and medieval matustrial art in East Seventeenth-st. These are the life-long hoardings of an enthusiastic collector are the life-long lhoardings of an enthusiastic collector and traveller, Madame D'Orbiney D'Aubigné. It was she who gave to the British Museum the original Hieratle scroil written in the time of Meses at the Court of Pharonh. This papyrus is often quoted as containing the original legends of "Potiphar's wife," and Cinderella. Among her ancient and medieval manuscripts are edicts of the Grand Masters of St. John of Jeru-alem Inte of Mailas) bails of eminent Popes, Eugene IV., 1442, Pope Pus V., Clement XIV., and Urban VIII. Then there are Hebrew scroils on sheepskin, written in clear characters, but without punetuation or separation of letters into words—styles which were adopted after Christ. Muse, D'Aubigné also receives many Oriental journals. into words—styles which were adopted after Christ.

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Sie possesses a miniature Meghila, two yards long, and a smal copy of the Koran, bought of a Tartar Khin. Here also are several portraits of the ancestors of Peter the Great, in their quant costumes of jewelled armor, copied from the originals in the Kremin; Persian bronzes exquisitely carved; Syrlan stuffs and costumes, one rich embroidered scarf having, it is said, \$500 worfar of gold wrongth in it, and fine crépes, worn enty by the women of the harem. The collection will be opened soon for exhibition. The owner, it is expected, will soon give a lecture on Oriental life, illustrated by the objects she has gathered during her wanderings in the Elect.

FALSE REPORTS ABOUT DR. BUDINGTON. The Rev. William Ives Budington, D. D., of the Cinton Avenue Congregational Caurch, Brooklyn, has been troubled for some time with an incipient cancerous tumor on the inside of his lower lip. An operation, performed several month ago, gave temporary re-lief, but the disease again showed itself in such a form that another operation was considered by his physicians to be necessary. The matter was ered by his physicians to be necessary. The uniter was brought to the aftention of some of the church members, with the statement from the physician. Dr. J. C. Hutchison, that a two weeks' vacation would be all that would be necessary. The church thought it would be best to give plenty of rest to the pastor during this time, and accordingly releved him from pastoral work during the mouth of April. The tumor in appearance was about the size of the head of a pin, and the operation of canterizing it was successfully performed has week. From the above facts a groundless rumor has been started that the trouble would compel br. Budington to give up ministerial work entirely. This is denied emphatically by the friends and physicians of Dr. Budington, who say that he will preach again on the first Sanday in May. Last Sanday Dr. Budington listened to Dr. John Hall in this city, and next Sanday he will be in Washington.

THE FIVE POINTS MISSION. Steinway Hall was crowded last evening by the friends of the Five Points Mission, on the occasion of the twenty-eighth annual reception of the Day School The platform was filled with little boys and girls, in all about 250, upon rising tiers of seats. The exercises con sisted of authems, chants, choruses, addresses, duets, solos, recitations and calisthenic exercises by the calidren, and addresses by A. V. Stout, Dexter A. Hawkins, and the Rev. C. S. Brown, the superintendent. The sudience manifested much pleasure at all that was done and said or sung. Among a few guests who sat on the platform was Tanrlow Weed. Of the juvenile part of the performance that which pleased most was, perhaps, the hand calisthenics, by the whole school, and hand gymnstics by a large class. All was done in time with music. Then there was a "spelling down." The children spelled bravely through "peddler" and "potatoes," but "auxiliary "indished all except four. An important part of the performance was by the elders in the assembly. The needs of the mission were described by the superintendent, and an appeal was made for aid. A. V. Stout, of the National Shoe and Leather Bank, effered \$1,000. Smaller sums were then subscribed, until \$1,500 was raised. solos, recitations and calisthenic exercises by the children

A WELCOME TO MINING ENGINEERS.

The Prussian Minister of Commerce has addressed the following official communication to Profes sor Egleston, of the School of Mines, Columbia College: Sin: In the expectation that American mining engineers attending the Paris Exposition this year will extend thely tour of observation to Germany, for the purpose of inspecting its industrial establishments, and neing desirous to reciprocate the friendly reception acpurpose of inspecting its industrial establishments, and being desirous to reciprocate the friendly reception accorded to German artisans, and especially to the connisioners sent by me, on the oceasion of the Centennial Exposition at Philadelphia, I have directed that technical works and geographical, topographical and other maps be open for inspection to our American visitors in the library of the Royal Mining Academy, Lustgarten No. 6, and that information can be obtained their regarding the most desirable routes to take, and the location and importance of the industrial establishments which the visiting engineers may desire to inspect, Please have the Rindness to inform accordingly the President of the Association of Mining Engineers.

The Minister of Commerce, Industry and Public Works: Berlin, March 22, 1878.

ACHENNACH.

BROOKLYN BOYS GOING ABROAD.

The Brooklyn police were informed last night by William F. Willis, of No. 114 Dean-st., that his brother Arthur, with several companions, was planning to leave home and go to Europe. The intention was to take a sloop this morning bound for Providence. From take a stoop this morning bound for Providence. From that point the boys latended to make their way to Europe. When young Willis learned that the plot was discovered he fled from his house, leaving behind his hat and overcoat. It was found that his trank and valies were packed. In them were a number of papers relating to the Paris Exposition. In his overcoat pocket was a postal-card on which was written: "The crists has arrived; the plan must be carried out tonight." Willis did not return home last evening. It is believed that the leader of the party was Ira B. Ingraham, of No. 176 Bergen-st., who also disappeared last evening. When his mother was told of the plan, she said: "Let him go." The ages of the boys rame from eighteen to twenty. Willis is an errand boy in this city and has been saving his money for this purpose for some time.

OPPOSING "BOSS" McLAUGHLIN. The Independent Democratic General Committee of Kings County, of which Daniel Bradley is chairman, met last evening to receive the report of a conference with the expelled members of the McLaughlin Committee, in reference to a the McLaughin Committee, in reference to a notion of all Democrats not in sympathy with the "Ring." The report stated that it had been agreed to combine the two Independent Democratic committees, and to hold primaries for the election of delegates to a general committee on May 8. The report was adopted. Mr. Bradley made an address in which he denounced the operations of the "Ring." He believed that its influence would be ended in less than a year.

A DRIVER'S BRAINS DASHED OUT.

The six horses attached to one of Barnum's show wagons became frightened yesterday in Eighth-ave., and, running away, created much excitement in the crowded streets. The driver, John Stricklin, of No. 525 West Thirty-ninth-st. John Stricklin, of No. 525 West Thirty-ninth-st., was very cool, and made a brave effort to stop them, but he was powerless. When the frightened horses reached the east side of Fourth-ave., one of the bind wheels caught in the groove of a rail. The iron axle, nearly three inches square, snapped like a pipe-stem. The driver kept his seat, but at the next sheer of the horses he was thrown over the dash-board. He struck head-foremost, and his brains were dashed out. The horses were stopped at Lexington-ave, and Forty-second-st. Mr. Barnum has taken charge of the dead man's remains, and is cendering assistance to his family.

ATHLETIC CLUB SPRING GAMES. The ninth annual Spring games of the New-

York Athletic Club will take place on Decoration Day, May 30, on the grounds of the Club at Mott Haven. There will be the following "scratch" contests: 100 yord run; 220 rard run; 440 yard run; ½ mile run; 1 mile run; 3 mile walk; 120 yard nurdle; putting the abot; throwing the haumer; pole leaping; running high lump; running long jump. Tog of war, open to teams of five men each from any regular organized club or association. In addition, the following handicap games will be

given: 125 yard run; 250 yard run; 600 yard run; 15 mile hurdle, 25 test: 1 taile walk.

reserved seats, for "The Sleeping Beauty," may be had of Mrs. R. H. L. Townsend, No. 171 Madison-ave; Mrs. B. T. Corlies, No. 9 Waverly place; and Mrs. Artnur Gliman, New-York Hotel: Mrs. Marshall O. Roberts has charge of the boxes. General admission tickets, at \$1 cuch, admitting the holder to any part of the bouse, and to seats in the gallery, can be obtained from these ladies. The managers particularly desire that evening dress shall be worn.

PLANS OF THE LIQUOR DEALERS. Several of the leading brewers' and liquor lealers held a meeting yesterday, to discuss the question of future action in case the present Excise law remains as now, at the close of the present session of the Legislature. Major George Sauer said that all that the deal-William Greer, captain of the canal-boat ers had been striving for was a fair Excise law, by which only respectable people should be granted a license, only respectable people should be granted a license, and by which the bucket shops would be done away with. The liquor dealers would do all they could in their power to bring this about, but it was idle in the extreme to think that the temperance parties could entirely prevent the sale of liquor. "We shall do all we can," he said, "to get some settlement of the question before the adjournment of the present session. If the authorities should be called upon to enforce the present Excise law, much trouble must ensue. Let Dr. Crosby close up all bucket shops; we are with him—but there is no just reason why a man should be refused a license to sell liquor simply because he does not keep a hotel, or beds and stables for those who do not need them.

TRYING TO BREAK MARRIAGE TIES.

MISS OLNEY'S LETTERS TO MR. NEWELL. INCIDENTS IN HER LIFE IN NEW-YORK AND OTHER

PLACES-TESTIMONY AGAINST MRS, NEWELL. At the opening of the Newell divorce case esterday, Judge Lawrence stated that to-lay being ed Friday, he would not hold court. Several fashionably-dressed women, in addition to the five who have been in constant attendance, were present yesterday, and were evidently in sympathy with Mrs. Newell. Both the plaintiff and the defendant showed in their counte-

nances traces of care and anxiety. Mr. Shafer offered in cyldence the letters that had been written by Miss Olney to Mr. Newell. The Court allowed the letters to be read, with the exception of those written after the present trial began, which was many months ago. The letters read were of an unimportant character, a great part of them being taken up with character, a great part of them being taken up with business matters, and the rest being filled with social gossip or general observations. In one letter, written in the latter part of 1876, Miss Olney said she thought the depression in business was largely due to the Presidential election and its uncertain reanit. A large fire that occurred in the vicinity of her home was graphically described. When everybody around her was running to the fire, she went caimly back to her room, and continued her reading of one of Wingte Collius's novels. In another letter she said that, as she was writing the newshoys were crying upon the streets "extrus," amounting the arrival of Tweed. And she added: "One cannot help pitying him, although he deserves to be brought to justice." She intimates an intention of selling out her stock of goods, and going to Parls to live. Another letter written soon after Mr. Newel's departure for Europe, was dated from the Tip-Lop House, White Mountains. He will be surprised, she thinks, to learn that she is so far away from her nome so soon after parting with him, but urges the beauty of the phace as a reason. She then breaks out into a florid description of the mountain scenery—of combined show and cain and sunshine effects.

Mrs. And McManus was called to testify as to Miss Olney's domestic habits. The witness said she kept a paper stand in University phace, near Fourteenthi-st. and every morning saw Mas Olney leave her rooms and go into a restaurant for her breakfast. She always waiked with her head down, and never looked at any one. The witness was asked how she knew that Miss Olney went for her breakfast when she went into the restaurant.

"In course that's what she was after," she said; business matters, and the rest being filled with social

Oney went for her breakfast when she went into the restaurants.

"In course that's wind she was after," she said;

"that's what the place's for, sur," and the witness indigmantly left the stand and laughter.

Dame! C. Knowiton, machine witness, said that he kept a boarding house at No. 29 Somerset-st. Boston, at which Mrs. Newell lived in 1870. The witness repeated the story, told on Wednesday, of a man being seen early one morning leaving Mrs. Newell's rooms, and her subsequent dismissed from the house.

The trial was adjourned until Monday.

A HUSBAND'S RIGHT TO TESTIFY. MR. SHEPARD DISAGREES WITH A MAJORITY OF THE LEGAL PROFESSION.

Montgomery Throop, jr., horsewhipped Ed-ward P. Price about a year ago for ill treatment to Throop's cousin, Price's wife. The affair made some stir at the time. Mrs. Annie E. D. Price began a divore suit against her husband for alleged juffdelities in Paris and this city. Both were and are still under age, so that each appears in the suit by a guardian. The case was referred to Elliot F. Shepard. The evidence before him was of fast living, at least by the hussand in Paris, and of a similar course in New-York. Mr. Shepard has found in favor of the wife.

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A curious question arose on the trial whether the bushand could be permitted to deny as a witness his alleged infidelities. Mr. Sispard, after a thorough examination, came to a conclusion, contrary to the general opinion of lawyers, that a husband might be permitted so to testify. In a very claborate opinion he holds that all that is left of the common law rule is that a line and to wife shall not testify "against" the other. To testify in favor of maintaining the marriage relation, which the law regards as advantageous both to the public and the wife, is not testifying "against" her. Mr. Price admitted on the shall all the assertions of free living, but denied positively that he was suity of actual infidelity. The report against him will be sumnitted in a few days to the Special Term of the Supreme Court.

RAILEOADS AND CANALS.

COMPETING FOR WEST-BOUND FREIGHT.

The managers of the canal lines are making extraordinary efforts to secure west-bound freight, and many contracts have been made already. Large jobbing houses at Chicago, Toledo, Detrott, Cleveland, Euffalo, and other Lake cities refuse, in numerous in-stances, to submit longer to the rates established by the trunk lines, and threaten to send all their shipments by canal and steamer unless an immediate reduction is made. An agent of the Blue Line says that commission merchants are in carnest, and will certainly resort to the canals unless the railway rates on west-bound freight are cut down. He also

and will certainly resort to the canals unless the railway rates on west-bound freight are cut down. He also
says that a few weeks ago the executive committee of
the trunk lines resolved to reduce the west-bound rates
30 per cent, in anticipation of the opening of canal navigation, but before the circular was issued this action
was reconsidered and indefinitely postponed. As one
result, this agent says that in less than two working
days he lost 1,600 packages of merchandise. He claims
that the transfer of merchandise to the canals, in addition to the diversion of trade to Boston, will be seriously
felt by the railroad, have made a contract to ship 100
cases of dry goods by canal and steamer from this city
to Cleveland, at 20 cents per 100 pounds, to be delivered
in ten days, agreeing to ship all goods over this route if
the goods are delivered in the stiputated time. The
trunk lines charge 49 cents per 100 pounds for the same
distance. It is also stafed that J. V. Farwell
& Co., and Field, Lleter & Co., of Chiengo, inve determined to use the canals. They have been offered contracts at 30 cents per 100 pounds, against 75 cents
demanded by the railroads. Large dry goods houses in
this city have advised their Western customers to purchase their goods in advance of immediate needs and to
ship them by canal, which will bring them to points of
destination in time for use, at a great reduction in rates.
The canal toil to Buffsio on merchandise is 10 cents per
100 pounds, the railways charging 43 cents for the same
distance.

A DEFAULTING SOUTHERN RAILROAD.

Information has been received in this city that the Wilmington, Columbia and Augusta Railroad has been placed in the bands of R. R. Bridgers, as rehas been placed in the hands of R. R. Bridgers, as receiver. The cause was a failure to pay a rental of 7 necent to the Wilmington and Weldon Railrond, and a default of interest on its mortgage bonds. The bondholders of the Wilmington, Columbia and Augusta Company,
after three montos deiay, called a conference at Baltimore last week, at which \$3.900,000 of the bonds were
represented, and an application was made to Judge
Bond, of the United States Circuit Court, for a receiver,
By the terms of the lease, the Wilmington and Weldon
road has reverted to the stockholders. The road is a
connecting link of the Atlanto Coast Line. Mr. Bridgers,
the receiver, was president of both companies, and the
management is virtually unchanged.

TWENTY-FIVE YEARS A SWINDLER PLYMOUTH WHITE'S CAREER-VICTIMS IN MANY

STATES. Plymouth, better known as "Plin." White, who was surrendered, on Saturday, to the Massachusetts authorities, on a requisition from Governor Rice, has been known as a confidence operator for twenty-five years. He was born in Weathersfield, Vt., and learned the printers' craft at Montpelier. He was not long a compositor, but served as a reporter on papers various New-England cities, and at one

in various New-England cities, and at one time on The Herald, of this city. Abaudoning the profession, he became a salesman in a mercantile house here, and soon developed considerable business talent, so that he acquired in a few years sufficient capital to gain a partnership in a brokerage firm. Gathering together the funds of the firm, he made a trip to Europe. On his return he was arrested, but succeeded in evading the suits brought against him. At this time he obtained large loans from different merchants of this city; in one case, it is said, the ruin he caused resulted in the death of his victim. Locke W. Winchester, of this city, was induced to become his bondsman, and thereby lost a large amount.

25 teet; 1 cate walk.

First, second and third prizes will be given in each contest. Entries will close May 20.

"THE SLEEPING BEAUTY" PANTOMIME.
Performances, in pantomime, of "The Sleeping Beauty," will be given at the Academy of Music, next Thursday and Friday evenings. These entertainments are intended to provide an endowment fund for Mount Yernon, so that it may be kept in such order as respect for the memory of Washington requires. It will also be employed in purchasing relies of the old Washington home that are new scattered about the country. If owners are not disposed to part with their relies, copies, as nearly exact as possible, will be made. Tickets, with

HOME NEWS.

THERMOMETER YESTERDAY AT HUDNUTS, NO 9 a. m. 51°. Noon 57°. 3 p. m. 67°. Midnight, 51°.

Bighest during the day 67°. Lowest, 43°.

Average, 53 4°. Same day, 1877, 44 5°.

PROMINENT ARRIVALS.

NEW-YORK CITY.

India Pongee cloaks, with carrick capes, are the elegant novelties designed to replace the linen ulsters of Centennial fame.

Elegant new flower vases at the Meriden Company's warerooms are in French steel, with decorated French glass vase.

A Sixth-ave. dentist advertises to make a set of feeth in two hours, warranted to fit the most fastidious mouth, of any size

Flowers costing \$2,000 have been engaged for decorating the chancel and new altar of Trinity

Church for Easter Sunday. A sunshade composed entirely of pansies

with a solid gold handle, is a novelty exhibited in Broadway jeweller's window. James Hartmann, of No. 177 Houston-st, was reported, yesterday, to have died on April 15, at St.

Francis Hospital, of trichinosis. The frame house on the northwest corner

of Broadway and Fiftieth-st. is 102 years old. It was nce a stately mansion, but it is fast decaying. The Elevated Railroad has proved a blessing to the Bowery, in that it has caused the unsightly rows

f sheds, facing the buildings on each side, to disappear. Novelties in stockings at H. O'Neill's are of two distinct colors, half of the stocking one color and half of another, ranning the entire length from toe to A "swell," carrying a pet poodle dog in the

bosom of his elegantly embroidered cout, as he was rid-ing in bis carriage, attracted much attention on Broad-Men promenade Fulton-st. arrayed in new unlaundried" shirts. They look like somnambulists.

and frighten strangers who do not know that they are A pretty hat shown at Ridley's opening, bad the crown composed entirely of blue and white forget-

me-nots on the top of the crown; the blue forget-me-nots described a star. Competition for passengers on the Hudson

River steamers has caused a reduction of fare to Albany to 50 cents. The Hadson River Railroad Company has made no reduction. The Children's Aid Society last month provided 367 persons with homes and employment. Three companies, numbering 167 persons, were sent to the Western and Southern States.

A mortgage for \$10,000, by the Protestant Eulscopal Church of the Azensiou, on its property in Tenth-st., west of Fitth-ave., to the United States Life Insurance Company, was recorded yesterday.

In the report of the proceedings of the Reablican Central Committee, published in The Tribune of Wednesday, remarks were attributed to Colonel S. V. R. Cruger, which were made by Colonel Jardine. James Harrigan, age forty-three, of No. 963

87 Vandam-st., was struck on the head by a falling brick, and received injuries which will probably prove fatal. At a meeting of cigar manufacturers and dealers, last evening, a protest was signed against the proposed coupen tax on cigars, requiring a stamp on each cigar. The petition is to be forwarded to Washing-

The rising youth feels the need of an invenon that will instantaneously absorb a lighted eigar, and save him the trouble and danger of putting it in his coat-pocket when he unexpectedly meets either of his

The open cars of the Third Avenue Railroad Company are being altered on account of the Elevated Railroad columns. The outer railings are being removed and the passageway will be through the centre of the cars with sents along the sides. Patrick McGrath, ten years of age, was

buried under a pile of lumber that fell on him while he was playing in a lumber-yard in Fifty-fourth-st., yesterday afternoon. He received fatal injuries. The parents of the child reside at No. 401 East Fifty-fourth-st. At a meeting of the Sinking Fund Commisdoners. Yesferday, a report on the James Slip Ferry to Hunter's Point showed that the receipts had decreased from \$94,000 in 1873, to \$80,000 in 1877. The commissioners appraised the value of the franchise at \$2,100 a

The writ of habeas corpus in the case of Arthur L. Berry, the trunk Jewelry robber, having been diamissed in the Supreme Court, Inspector Murray last night delivered his prisoner into the hands of the Massa-chusetts State officers, who started with him for Wor-

At the Tombs Police Court, yesterday, Pat-THE CANALS GETTING BUSINESS FROM THE TRUNK rick Murray, of No. 159 Avenue-A, preferred alcharge against James McGee, of No. 458 Greenwich-st., of having stolen \$700 from the ciething manufactory of the compininant, at the address mentioned. McGee was committed for trial in default of \$1,000 ball.

The construction of the Elevated Railroad on the Bowery is delayed, for the present, by the telegraph poles which stand directly in line with the iron olumns on each side of the street. Workmen are employed, during the quiet hours of the night, in taking down the wires preparatory to the removal of the

A number of bootblacks and newsboys have caused the police some annoyance lately by playing base-ball in Duane-st., i near Centre-st., in violation of of an officer is given by sentinels posted at convenient places, and the watchword, "choese it," causes the whole group of players to scatter instantly. the corporation ordinances. Warning of the approach

Jeremiah Mullane, once in comfortable cirumstances, and his wife, both intoxicated, and having two young children with them, were arrested on Thurs day. Mullane had just been released from Blackwell's Island. Hescand and wife were committed, yesterday, for three months esch, and the mother was permitted to take her babe with her. The little girl was sent to an

A resident of Murray Hill complains that the striking clock in that part of the city causes much coss of sieep, especially to those inclined to wakefulness. It is not easy, he says, to reach that blissful state of forgetfulness which leads to sleep, if one is forced to nates to the minutes of the hours tolled off into quarters in tones so sharp and imperious that it is impossible not to hear and count them.

Assistant State Insurance Superintendent McCall is examining the condition of the Globe Mutual Life Insurance Company. The examination was tempoearily checked pending the trial of Superintendent Smyth by the State Senate. The company has \$1,500,000 inested in Government, State and New-York and Brook-yn bonds, the remainder of its assets being in cash and eal estate. A report is expected in about ten days. The attention of the police was called yes

terday to the swindling operations of a firm styled the Dexter Safe Deposit Company, H. Keys, agent, of No. 697 Broadway, which has been in the habit of sending notices to persons that goods have been on deposit for them for some time, by lottery agents. Bills for storage, at the rate of \$6 a year, were inclosed. Superintendent Walling cautions the public against this method of fraud.

The Woman's Baptist Missionary Society, vesterday, elected the following officers: President Mrs. Gardner Coiby; vice president, Mrs. J. N. Murlock; clerk, Miss S. C. Durfee; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Alvah Hovey; treasurer, Mrs. J. M. S. Williams; Mrs. Aivan Hovey; Treasurer, Mrs. J. M. S. Williams; auditor, Mr. Albert Vinal; directors, Mrs. A. W. Benton, Mrs. J. D. Caaplin, Mrs. H. S. Chase, Mrs. S. P. Hill, Mrs. J. Lincoln, Mrs. A. J. Loud, Mrs. Thomas Nickerson, Mrs. J. S. Paine, Miss A. L. Pierce, Mrs. A. Shipley and Mrs. S. B. Swain.

The steamboats Chrystenah, Adelphi, Alexis and Tappan Zee, of the North River and New-York Steamship Company, were offered at auction sale yes terday by E. H. Ludlow, under the direction of Receiver Blauvelt. Bids upon the Chrystenah and Adelphi reached Sa0,000 and \$20,000 respectively, and \$10,000 upon the Tappan Zee. No bids were made for the Alexis. The bids not being satisfactory, the boats were all withdrawn by order of the receiver, and the sale was postponed until April 25. BROOKLYN.

Engine Company No. 18 was organized by the Fire Commissioners yesterday. William Semier was nade the foreman. Robert Montague, age seventeen, of No. 60

Franklin-ave., was severely scalded, yesterday, by the plowing off of a tube-cap in the engine-room of Dugan's noulding-mill, in Classon-ave. The Rev. A. H. Burlingham, D. D., pastor

of the First Baptist Church at Paterson, N. J., has re-

take until that time to bind the strands that have been

The trunk of Hannah Smith, a colored servant, employed at No. 93 South Elliott-place, was taken from her room Wednesday night, by a truckman, who said he was sent for it by the owner. The g.rl was absent at the time. The trunk contained her bridal outfit; she was to be married soon.

Michael Sheny, aged fourteen, of No. 57 Summit-st., a pupil in Public School No. 27, in Hicks-st., near Nelson-st., was playing in the school-house yesterday with a toy pistol which contained a blank cartridge. He "accidentally discharged" the pistol, the police slip stated, inflicting a wound on his left hand.

In view of the accident to Mlle. Volante at the Pawtucket Opera House recently, the Mayor of Brooklyn yesterday sent a communication to William F. Cody "Buffalo Birl"), who is playing in an Indian drama in that city, requesting that that portion of his programme where he shoots an apple from the head of one of the performers, and the askes from a cigar held in a man's mouth, be omitted.

Patrolman Connely brought to the Eighth Sub-Precinct Station House, early yesterday morning, a boy named John Ellis, age nine, who was found at Third ave. and Fifteenth-st. In the boy's possession was a pocket-book containing \$54.79. The boy was subsequently claimed by his mother. He said that he stole the money from a mon who was lying on a truck at the City Hall. He was held for examination.

## POSTSCRIPT

3:45 a. m.

LATEST FOREIGN NEWS.

REPORTED ANGLO-RUSSIAN AGREEMENT. IBY CABLE TO THE TRIBUNE. LONDON, Friday, April 19, 1878.

A dispatch from Berlin says Germany has pro posed the simultaneous withdrawal of the Russian army and the English fleet from before Constantinople, and that Russia has consented.

AFFAIRS AT CONSTANTINOPLE.

THE NEW PREMIER-MORE DIFFERENCES ARISING LONDON, Friday, April 19, 1878. The Times has the following special telegram rom Pera :

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The politics of Sadyk Pasha, the new President of the Turkish Council, have not been declared. The Russians claim the overthrow of Vefyk Effendi as a triumph. The Palace, however, has telegraphed to Mr. Layard that the change is without political significance. Mr. Layard is at Ismid.

According to the advices received in Paris he has gone there to confer with Admiral Thornby relative to the defence of the Bosphorus.

A special to The Daily Telegraph from Pera announces that eighteen Russian battalions have arrived at Derkos from Adrianople.

WHAT RUSSIA MAY CONCEDE. LONDON, Friday, April 19, 1878.

Regarding the state of feeling at St. Petersburg The Times's telegram says:

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The meeting of the Congress would dissipate many difficulties. Thus there is reason to believe, as to Asia, that Rassia only regards the possession of Batum and Kars as of vital importance, and would probably consent to modify the proposed frontier, so as not to cut the road from Persia to Trebizond.

She might also permit the division of Bulgaria into two principalities, and allow an interintional commission to define the Southern frontiers. It is said that, while the Russians will not allow the treaty to be ignored, she will not permit any of its clauses to hinder a satisfactory solution.

REGIMENTS PLACED ON A WAR FOOTING. LONDON, Friday, April 19, 1878. Orders have been received at Chatham to

aise all the infantry regiments there to their full war raise all the infantry regiments there to their full war strength by Monday. Three regiments are now waiting for orders to embark, fully equipped for the field. It is understoot that several large contracts have been made for the manufacture of torpedoes for Russia, a portion being ready for shipment. An embargo will be placed upon all vessels loading with these materials of war. THE NORTHUMBERLAND ELECTION.

LONDON, Friday, April 19, 1878.

The election in South Northumberland has resulted in a tie, Mr. Grey (Liberal) and Mr. Ridley (Conservative) each receiving 2.912 votes. The decision rests with the House of Commons. The vacancy was occasioned by Lord Estington going to the House of Lords. A CANADIAN MINISTER REWARDED.

OTTAWA, April 18 .- The Hon. Albert J. mith, Minister of Marine and Fisheries, has received the honor of knighthood in recognition of his services to the Empire in connection with the late Haifax Fishery MURDEROUS ASSAULT IN QUEBEC.

QUEBEC, April 18 .- Mr. Tarte, the Conservative candidate and late member of the Provinctal Legislature of Bonaventure County, was so severely beaten in an election riot to-day that his life is despaired of. In his ante-morten deposition he accused two men named Smith and Hamilton with hav-ing committed the murderous assault.

PURCHASE OF HORSES FOR THE BRITISH GOV ERNMENT. TROY, April 18 .- Two hundred horses per

week are being purchased in Clinton, Essex, and St. Lawrence Counties of this State, and in the western portion of Vermont, by agents of the British Government. The animals are selected for cavalry purposes, and are sent to New-York and Pulladelphia for trans-shipment. [For other Foreign News, see first page.]

McGARRAHAN'S PATENT.

FURTHER TESTIMONY TAKEN IN THIS INTERMINA-BLE CASE.

WASHINGTON, April 18 .- The Senate Committee on Public Larius this evening resumed the inves-tigation of William McGarrahau's patent for the Panoche Grande ranch, embracing the New-Idria quicks ilver mines Ex-Senator John A. Logan, and Messrs. C. P. Shaw Eben C. Ingersoil and Jeremiah Wilson appeared as counsel for McGarrahan; Judge D. S. Wilson, of Iows, and Mr. Burdette, ex-Commissioner, and Mr. Curtis ex-Chief Clerk of the General Land Office, reproex-unier Cierk of the General Land Office, repre-sented the New-Idria Company. The witnesses ex-amined were Henry Beard, formerly a clork in the Gen-eral Land Office; Mr. Hobbs, now a clerk in the Pension Bureau, and Mr. Theodore F. Stokes, formerly a clerk in the Land Office.

SITTING BULL UNHAPPY IN CANADA.

Sr. PAUL, April, 18 .- An Indian, brother of Little Crow, the Stoux Chief, has arrived in this city from Dakota. He says that at the Spotted Tail Agency, lately, he met three Indians who had left Sitting Buil in the British Possessions, and returned to their hunting-grounds because they were determined not to take up arms again under Sitting Bull against their white brethren. They say that Sitting Bull's people are treated very badly by the English and that Sitting Bull has expressed a determina-tion to return to his own lands, and there die rather than aubmit to such treatment.

ALLEGED DEFALCATIONS AT LOUISVILLE.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., April 18 .- It is alleged that a defleit of \$26,000 has been discovered in the accounts of John S. Cain, Clerk of the Circuit and Common Picas Courts. The deficit is said to exist in what is known as the jury fund, of which Cain has been commissioner. It is also alleged that another has been commissioner. It is also alleged that another deficit of \$60,000 has been discovered in his accounts white cashier of the gas company some years since. Cain claims that the bank charged his private checks to the jury fund, and that the \$60,000 of the gas company's runds was used at the instance of the directors to have their charter amended by the Legislature. HERMANN BLENNERHASSETT EXONERATED.

CHICAGO, Ill., April 18.-Correspondence from Washington published to day shows that the animus of the indictment found against Hermann Blenner hassett, of New-York, for perjury in connection with the Cook County National Bank statement was personal rather than judicial; that the authorities both here and in Washington join in the opinion that it could not be sustained, and that Blennerhassett should be exonerated from the charge and freed from prosecution. District-Attorney Baugs on this account has nolle prosequied the WESTERN BANKRUPTS.

CHICAGO, April 18 .- The threatened repeal of the bankrupt law has caused unusual activity in

bankruptey proceedings this week. Four cases of bankruptey were recorded on each of Monday, Tuesday. and Weduesday mornings; twelve on Thursday, and to-morrow's record will contain ten petiof the First Baptist Church at Paterson, N. J., has received a unanimous call to the pastorate of the Gethsemane Baptist Church, Brooklyn.

Albert Leist, a young man employed in Zeimmerman's butcher store, on Fifth-st., near Nort Seventhst. has been missing since last Friday. On that day he
started for Hunter's Point, having \$50 in his possession.

The workmen on the East River Bridge yesterday afternoon completed the fifty-second strand for
the great cables. No more work will be done on the
strands until the latter part of next month, as it will

total liabilities are not yet known, nor has a schedule of his assets been made out.

THE TEXAS BORDER.

ROBBERIES AND MURDERS BY INDIANS AND DESPE-RADOES-OFFICIAL DISPATCH FROM GENERALS ORD.

CHICAGO, April 18 .- The following was re-

ceived at General Sheridan's headquarters this after-

A brother of the Marshal of Laredo was murdered, on Sunday, by desperadoes sixty miles from that place. Cavalry scouts are out between Laredo and Fort Dun-can, and are likely to hear of the Indians if they have crossed the river.

Cavalry scouts are out between Larcdo and Fort Duncan, and are likely to hear of the Indians if they have crossed the river.

The commanding officer at Fort Clarke reports that four horses were stolen within a few hundred yards of the post there on Saturday night. The trail of the thickes were seen on the other side. The thickes were seen on the other side. The thickes were seen to cross, and were recognized as Mackeans.

The commanding officer at Fort Stockton reports that Lieutenaut B gelow, who, with a detachment, has been in pursuit of the Indians who attacked the mail rider near Escondido, found part of the mail and returned to Escondido, April 16.

The commanding officer at Fort Concho reports that the Indians in the vicinity of Fagunas have been quier recently, and that cavalry are now moving in that direction with orders to attack and pursue them even to their reservation. The commander of the fort has been advised of the attack on the mail near Escondido, and will be in good condition to intercept the mail robbers if they should move north.

ORD, Brigadler-General.

PILOT COMMISSIONER BLUNT DYING.

George W. Blunt, the Pilot Commissioner, is lying at his residence, No. 22 West Twelfthest, in a very precarious condition. For several weeks he has been confined to his bed with a complication of diseases. Dr. Weir, his physician, stated last evening that it was doubtful if he would live until this morning. Dr. Chapin was at his bedside at a late hour.

A. A. Low acknowledges the receipt, since

April 12, of the following additional contributions for

the relief of the sufferers by the famine in China:

Bilss, Bridgeport, \$2; "a friend," Sing Sing, \$2; the Rev. Theodore Wilson, Presbyterian Church at Shrews-burytown, N. J., \$29 12; John Dwight & Co., \$150; cash, \$4; previously acknowledged, \$1,081 05; Total, \$1,208 17. A CLUB CALAMITY .- Husband : Was the

Ladles' Club lively to-night, dear f-Wife: No; awfully dull. Every member was present, and of course one can't speak of people before their faces. So-we had nothing to talk about !-[Funny Folks.

Considerate.—Young precious: I shall never marry, ma, dear.—Mamma: Marry, dear-what do you mean !-Y. P.: You know, I couldn't stand your being a mother-in-law.—{Fun. Announcements.

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